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PRESIDENT: Keep a civil tongue.

SENATOR F. LEWIS: Yes Father. Mr. Chairman, this is a very simple bill. It was introduced by Senator Kennedy to rectify a situation in Norfolk that allowed them to sell certain property that was constructed in relationship to classes, some of their programs they build houses and then they needed to be able to sell those. This is the full intent of that. The committee added the language to make sure that it was the only matter before the body. I move the adoption of the committee amendments.

PRESIDENT: Any further discussion? Question is shall the amendments be adopted. Record your vote. Record.

CLERK: 25 ayes.

PRESIDENT: The amendment is adopted Senator Kennedy.

SENATOR KENNEDY: Mr. President, members, it is a simple bill. The reason for this bill is that there has been a building built in the Norfolk Community College by the class and it is on property that was more or less donated to the class and they found out legally that they could not auction and sell this building, so this bill would just clarify and let them only sell property that a building has been build on by the class in their general instruction and construction program within....so that they can dispose of this building and they waited two years and they did not pass the bill last year and we have asked that this be done. I'm sure that if you have been in the vicinity of those constructed buildings that you will understand that it is a good program and I would urge that this bill be passed on as amended.

PRESIDENT: Senator Cavanaugh.

SENATOR CAVANAUGH: Mr. President, I have some questions of Senator Kennedy if he would yield. It appears to me, first of all Senator Kennedy why don't Tech Colleges fall under the normal statutes for acquisition and disposition of public property.

PRESIDENT: Senator Kennedy.

SENATOR KENNEDY: They do and of course this has never risen before that they haven't...I think that any state property or community property....community college property is state property and shall be acted upon by the board or by the state and this gives an opportunity to sell these particular lots that these buildings are build on.

SENATOR CAVANAUGH: Well they could do it under the normal statutes, right?

SENATOR KENNEDY: NO, it has to be any property...any property has to be acted on by the Legislature. This is what we were told two years ago and the bill was introduced two years and was on general file and did not get passed.